

Miss Mary Peckham Given Surprise Shower by Group

Buffet Supper and Bridge Party Enjoyed by 14 at Harris Home

Miss Mary Peckham, whose marriage to Howard H. Cowan will be an event of early summer, was the honoree at a delightful surprise miscellaneous shower given for her when Mrs. Ella Harris entertained at a buffet supper and bridge at her Leimert Park home last Thursday evening.

White sweet peas and Spanish iris were used in the gracefully arranged center for the buffet table. Mrs. Grover C. Whyte and Mrs. J. W. McMillan received awards for high score at bridge while Mrs. Lancaster received a consolation.

Included were the honoree and Mesdames Olive Casey of Leimert Park, W. H. Bratton, J. W. Post, J. W. McMillan, J. S. Lancaster, Grover C. Whyte, Sam Levy, J. R. Klink, H. E. Appenzeller, R. R. Smith, George Peckham, Miss Dorothy McMillan and the hostess.

Mrs. Buffington's Piano Pupils Present Monthly Program

"God Bless America" played by Mary Louise Acord and Richard Mitchell with Mrs. Buffington at the second piano was the initial number of a varied and interesting program at the program meeting of piano students of Kathyrne Buffington presented recently at her studio-home, 1533 Marcellina avenue.

Piano solos and numbers for two pianos provide an interesting variety to the programs which are being presented on the fourth Saturday of each month. Discussion and suggestions follow each number to stimulate interest and attention and plans are outlined.

Mrs. Buffington encourages the monthly meetings as an aid to developing poise in playing before others. As the studio is equipped with two pianos, students are encouraged to participate in this stimulating and interesting feature of preparing programs together.

Social Hour Follows
A violinist and accompanist will provide an innovation for the March recital.

For February the soloist was Marjorie King who sang two songs "Over the Rainbow" and "The Umbrella Man" assisted by Margaret Ridge, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Buffington.

Those who played were Arline Godwin, Dolores Ulbright, Richard Mitchell, Mary Louise Acord, Billy and Betsy Ruth Morgan, Barbara Woodcock, Doris Robinette, Barbara Carstens and Norma Jean Hearrell.

A social hour followed the program with Betsy Ruth Morgan and Barbara Fulton in charge of refreshments.

METHODIST WOMAN'S COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Woman's Council of the Methodist church will be held at the church parlors Tuesday, March 12 at 2 o'clock. The Philathea, directed by Mrs. Elsie DeBra, will present an Easter pageant. Tea will be served by Group No. 2.

A dessert luncheon was held at the church parlors last Tuesday when Group No. 2 entertained. Aeneas, daffodil and peach blossoms were used to carry out a spring motif for the luncheon and corsages were at each place.

MRS. CUCCI ENTERTAINS CLUB

Mrs. N. H. Cucci entertained members of the Thursday Supper Club at Catalina Tea Room, Redondo Beach, last week. Following dinner they returned to the Cucci home at 1634 Cedar street where they played bridge. Mrs. L. G. Barkdull and Mrs. Bessie Myers received prizes for high score.

HONORED AT SURPRISE PARTY

C. F. Cook of 2317 Torrance boulevard was honored when a surprise party when 25 relatives and friends gathered at his home Wednesday evening to help him celebrate his birthday. Bunco furnished diversion for the group and refreshments were served.



For the starry eyed ones Harper's Bazaar presents a nun's coat in brilliant colors. Fundamentally it is white straw with a narrow, vermilion band and wide fringed streamers of royal blue taffeta that tie in a wide flat bow in back.

Business Women's Public Relations Dinner is Mar. 18

Mrs. Rose Williams is chairman of arrangements for the Public Relations dinner, planned by the National Business and Professional Women for Monday evening, March 18. A good speaker and other entertainment, will be offered by the committee.

At last Monday night's business meeting, held at the Nurses Home, 1416 Cota avenue, 21 were present. Several candidates for state and district officers were endorsed. Mrs. Edna Smith, local and district health chairman, reported further investigation into the conditions at various rest homes for tubercular patients, and stated that conditions in all but one were most satisfactory.

Several members, including President Lola Hoover and Mrs. Smith, will attend the district meeting at Long Beach next Saturday.

MRS. CRUMBINE CLUB GUEST

Mrs. J. H. Crumrine was guest of Mrs. Franklin H. McMahon, chairman of ways and means of the Tuesday Afternoon club of Glendale, when that club presented a program featuring a Gay 90's program and Genevieve Blue (Madeline Leo) of Amos and Andy fame, a direct descendant of Robert E. Lee, told of her experiences in being selected for the character part.

R. N. A. ORACLES, PAST ORACLES MEET

Oracles and Past Oracles of Torrance have organized a club for the purpose of working for the Royal Neighbors. They will meet on the second and fourth Tuesday afternoons at Torrance Social Hall on Torrance boulevard. Officers of the organizations are Mrs. Mary Baker, president; Mrs. Mary Schroeder, vice-president; Mary Conner secretary, and Adaline Smith, treasurer.

H. S. PAPER DRIVE TOMORROW

Tomorrow, March 8, is the date for a paper drive at Torrance high school. Parents and pupils are urged to cooperate. Old papers may be left at school or if this is not possible, please call 145 or 669 before 10 a. m. and they will be collected.

R. L. P. A. CARD PARTY

Ladies of Retirement Life Payments Association will hold a card party on Tuesday, March 12, at McDonald Hall, 1951 Carson street, at 8 p. m. There will be prizes and refreshments and the public is invited.

CALENDAR

of WEEKLY COMMUNITY EVENTS

TONIGHT, MARCH 7
6:30 p. m.—Rotary club at Legion hall.

7:30 p. m.—Boy Scout Troop No. 219.

Order of Eastern Star at Masonic Temple.

Townsend Club at Moose Hall.

7:45 p. m.—Knights of Pythias Lodge at Redondo Beach.

8:00 p. m.—Modern Woodmen.

FRIDAY, MARCH 8
7:30 p. m.—Friday Morning Club (Business Session).

8:00 p. m.—Masonic meeting.

8:00 p. m.—Women of the Moose at Moose Hall.

SUNDAY, MARCH 10
Service in all churches.

MONDAY, MARCH 11
2:00 p. m.—Torrance high school P.T.A.

6:30 p. m.—Kiwanis Club at Daniels Cafe.

7:30 p. m.—Sons of Legion.

TUESDAY, MARCH 12
10:30 a. m.—St. Cecilia Guild Book Review.

7:30 p. m.—Boy Scout Troop No. 211.

Order of DeMolay at Masonic Temple.

7:45 p. m.—American Legion Auxiliary at Legion Hall.

7:45 p. m.—City Council.

7:45 p. m.—Royal Neighbors.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13
2:00 p. m.—Central Evangelical Guild.

7:30 p. m.—20-30 Club at Daniels Cafe.

7:30 p. m.—Boy Scout Troop No. 218.

7:45 p. m.—Rebekahs.

8:00 p. m.—A.O.U.W. V.F.W. at Lomita.

THURSDAY, MARCH 14
1:30 p. m.—Woman's Relief Corps.

3:00 p. m.—Girl Scout Troop No. 2 at Scout Hall.

BOARD IS ENTERTAINED

Mrs. C. E. Woodcock, president of Torrance high school P.T.A., was hostess to her executive board at an open house party at her home, 1925 Gramercy avenue, yesterday. Annual reports were compiled.

O.E.S. MEETING TONIGHT AT 7:30

The regular meeting of Torrance Chapter, No. 380, Order of the Eastern Star will be held this evening at Masonic Temple at 7:30. Members are urged to attend. There will be initiation rites.

NATAL DATE IS CELEBRATED

Honoring their son Ralph on the occasion of his 18th birthday, Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Pierce entertained at dinner Wednesday evening at their home, 2363 Eldorado. Included were Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Pierce of El Nido.

BIRTHDAY DATE IS NOTED

Mrs. Francis Fetheror was the guest of honor at a birthday dinner given Sunday for her at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Gascoigne, 1323 Madrid. Included were Mr. and Mrs. Fetheror and son Donald and the hosts.

TORRANCE GROUP AT WHITTIER

A delightfully intimate luncheon was enjoyed when Mrs. Nicholas Gallucci entertained at her Whittier home last week. Invited were Mesdames F. T. Fischer, C. D. Lowen, E. L. Patterson and L. M. Fernley.

Write a Rhyme on any Classified Ad and get in on the \$125 in cash and merchandise prizes.



Spring of 1940 is due to witness a riot of color according to Harper's Bazaar. The gay and daring are advised that sulphur yellow and electric blue are the colors in this happy but loud-plaid wool. It can be worn with a soft pull-over or with a blouse.

FRIDAY MORNING CLUB NOTES

Members of the Friday Morning club will meet at the home of Mrs. May McKinley, 1417 Cota avenue, at 7:30 tomorrow evening. Miss Ada Chase will be the speaker for the evening. Her subject, "Mexico From an Artist's Point of View" will be illustrated with a wealth of material which she has collected during trips to that country. The regular monthly business will be held.

Chemiculture Being Studied by Pupils at H. C. School

Chemiculture is the latest interest in the Harbor City school, teachers and pupils working together with seeds and plants and eagerly watching for results.

Monday members of the faculty went to Terminal Island where they dined at a Japanese cafe and attended the Doll Festival at Wallitzer School.

Pupils in Miss Gladys Coalson's room, fifth and sixth graders are studying the stars and on March 27th will spend the day at the Planetarium, making the trip by school bus.

Maccabees' Party Set for Mar. 17

The Maccabees will hold a St. Patrick's Day card party at Lomita Hall Monday, March 18. A bonus of 200 points will be given all card players who are at the hall at 8 p. m.

Pinochle, bridge, 500 and bunco will be played and refreshments served.

See what "Confucius Say" under classification 100, today.

Narbonne Grads Are Brides at Double Wedding

Surprising their friends, two graduates of Narbonne high school of the summer class of 1938 were brides at a double wedding ceremony in Yuma, Feb. 24, it was learned this week.

Miss Nola Langdon, daughter of Mrs. C. W. Langdon of 1033 253rd street, became the bride of Norman Sparks of Mt. Etna, Iowa, who is now with the Copra Meal Company, and Miss Caroline Dellaqua, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Dellaqua of 1131 Lomita boulevard, became the bride of Adrian Finch of Harbor City, who is an employee of the Vegetable Oil company.

Both classmates have started housekeeping in Wilmington. Mr. and Mrs. Sparks at 1313 East Opp street and Mr. and Mrs. Finch at 908 1/2 McDonald avenue. Rev. W. L. Summers of the Yuma Methodist church, formerly pastor of the Harbor City Methodist church, officiated at the double ceremony.

Rolling Hills Gardeners Hear Helpful Talk

Forty members of the Rolling Hills Garden Club met on Monday night at Town Hall to hear Murray McNeil present a talk on "Beautiful Lawns and Gardens." McNeil, who is president of the Southern California Horticultural Institute, accompanied his discussion with a series of motion pictures in color.

The elements required by flowers, lawns, potted plants and vegetables to stimulate growth were explained graphically by pictorial contrast of plants grown side by side under the same conditions, with one plant fed the required amount of certain elements such as iron or manganese, and the other grown with a deficiency of the elements. Potted azaleas and camellias were noticeably affected in size and speed of growth.

Don Falconer, president of the Garden Club, introduced the speaker, Mrs. C. Ed Jones, also of Rolling Hills, is secretary.

Former Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany killed 4,000 stags in hunting expeditions.

France has an area smaller than the state of Texas

Baby Sprout's Next Birthday Is In 1944

Miss Peggy Louise Sprout who arrived at the Torrance hospital at 5:27 a. m. Feb. 29, holds honors for this district for Leap Year babies.

Miss Sprout weighed eight pounds and 10 1/2 ounces and gives every promise of being one of the belles of the community on her fourth birthday which won't be until 1956.

Papa and Mama Ralph Sprout share honors with the proud grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Sprout and Mr. and Mrs. L. Savage.

Atkinson Declines Promotion to Supervisor

N. P. Atkinson humane inspector for the Harbor District, will decline the recently offered promotion to supervisor of license collectors, according to a statement made to The News Tuesday.

Atkinson has for five years been inspector for the Harbor District making his headquarters at 254th and Normandie. He placed first on the civil service list for supervisor of license collectors and second for supervisor of all city animal shelters.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson and daughter will be glad to know that at least for the present the family will remain in Harbor City.

The German language is spoken by a majority of the people in 16 of the 22 cantons in Switzerland.



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